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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, FEBRUARY 14, 2002

APPLICATION OF

COLUMBIA GAS OF VIRGINIA, INC.

CASE NO. PUE010587

For Approval of a Retail Supply
Choice Plan as Authorized by
§ 56-235.8 of the Code of Virginia

To Change Rates, Charges, Rules,
and Regulations

ORDER REVISING SCHEDULE

By Order for Notice and for Filing Comments and Requests for a Hearing of February 7, 2002, the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") docketed this application of Columbia Gas of Virginia, Inc. ("Columbia" or "Company"), and established a procedural schedule. On February 12, 2002, Columbia moved for an extension of the dates for publishing notice of its application, as required by ordering paragraph (13) of our order of February 7, and for filing testimony, as required by ordering paragraph (2) of our order of February 7. In support of the motion, Columbia stated that it needed additional time to comply. The Company also advised that the Commission Staff did not oppose the motion.

The Commission will grant the requested relief. To assure the public a reasonable period for commenting on the retail

supply choice plan and the proposed changes in rates and charges, we will modify other dates to reflect the extension in the date for completing publication of notice.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) The Company's Motion for Extension of Time to File Testimony and to Publish Notice filed February 12, 2002, is granted.

(2) Ordering paragraphs (2), (4) through (11), and (13) through (15) of the Order for Notice and for Filing Comments and Requests for a Hearing of February 7, 2002, are vacated.

(3) On or before March 5, 2002, the Company shall file with the Clerk, State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218-2118, an original and 15 copies of the testimony, exhibits, and other material supporting its application to change rates, charges, rules, and regulations for transportation and other services.

(4) On or before March 22, 2002, any interested person may file with the Clerk at the address in paragraph (3) above comments on Columbia's proposed retail supply choice plan and on proposed changes to rates, charges, rules, and regulations for transportation and other services. A copy of any comments shall be simultaneously mailed to counsel to the Company, Mark C. Darrell, General Counsel, Columbia Gas of Virginia, Inc., 9001 Arboretum Parkway, Richmond, Virginia 23236-3488.

(5) On or before March 22, 2002, any interested person may file with the Clerk at the address in paragraph (3) above a request for a hearing on the retail supply choice plan or the proposed changes to rates, charges, rules, and regulations for transportation and other services and shall simultaneously serve a copy of the request for a hearing on counsel to the Company at the address in paragraph (4) above. Any request for a hearing should identify the reasons that a hearing is required.

(6) The Commission Staff shall investigate Columbia's retail supply choice plan, including the requests for waivers, and any comments and requests for a hearing. On or before April 10, 2002, the Staff shall file with the Clerk an original and 15 copies of a report of its analysis and recommendations and shall simultaneously serve a copy on counsel to the Company.

(7) The Commission Staff shall investigate Columbia's proposed changes to rates, charges, rules, and regulations for transportation and other services. On or before April 17, 2002, the Staff shall file with the Clerk an original and 15 copies of a report of its analysis and recommendations and shall simultaneously serve a copy on counsel to the Company.

(8) On or before April 19, 2002, the Company may file with the Clerk an original and 15 copies of any comments on the Staff report and on other comments or requests for a hearing on the retail supply choice plan.

(9) On or before April 26, 2002, the Company may file with the Clerk an original and 15 copies of any comments on the Staff report and on any other comments or requests for a hearing on the proposed changes to rates, charges, rules, and regulations for transportation and other services.

(10) On or before March 1, 2002, the Company shall publish the following notice as display advertising (not classified) in newspapers of general circulation in its service territory.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF AN APPLICATION BY
COLUMBIA GAS OF VIRGINIA, INC., FOR APPROVAL
OF A RETAIL SUPPLY CHOICE PLAN AND TO CHANGE
RATES, CHARGES, RULES, AND REGULATIONS
CASE NO. PUE010587

Columbia Gas of Virginia, Inc. ("Columbia") has applied to the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") for approval of a proposed plan for retail supply choice pursuant to § 56-235.8 of the Code of Virginia. According to Columbia, the choice plan would provide non-discriminatory access to Columbia's delivery system to nearly all customers beginning in 2002. Non-discriminatory open access would allow licensed gas suppliers to sell natural gas directly to customers. The plan includes a "Transition Costs Recovery Charge" to recover all non-mitigable costs related to open access. The charge will be calculated for all small-volume firm sales and delivery service customers. The Transition Costs Recovery Charge would apply to residential and small general service customers that participated in retail supply choice and those that continued to receive gas from Columbia.

Columbia also proposed to change rates, charges, rules, and regulations for transportation and other services. Proposals include revisions to Rate Schedule TS1/TS2, Transportation Service 1 and 2, Rate Schedule LVTS, Large Volume Transportation Service, as well as other services. Columbia proposes to close Rate Schedule SAS, Special Agency Service, and Rate Schedule LSS, Limited Sales Service. The following new rate schedules are proposed: Rate Schedule AS, Aggregation Service, Rate Schedule GPLS, Gas Parking and Lending Service, and Rate Schedule TS3/TS4, Transportation Service 3 and 4.

Copies of Columbia's application are available for inspection between 8:15 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Commission workdays in the Document Control Center located on the first floor of the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia. Copies of the application may be requested from counsel to Columbia, Mark C. Darrell, General Counsel, Columbia Gas of Virginia, Inc., 9001 Arboretum Parkway, Richmond, Virginia 23236-3488.

Retail Supply Choice Plan

On or before March 22, 2002, any interested person may file with the Clerk, State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218-2118, comments on Columbia's proposed retail supply choice plan and mail a copy to counsel to Columbia, Mark C. Darrell, General Counsel, Columbia Gas of Virginia, Inc., 9001 Arboretum Parkway, Richmond, Virginia 23236-3488. Comments should refer to Case No. PUE010587. The Commission cannot assure that comments sent by facsimile or e-mail will be considered.

On or before March 22, 2002, any interested person may file with the Clerk at the address above a request for a hearing on

Columbia's retail supply choice plan and shall simultaneously serve a copy of the request for a hearing on counsel to Columbia identified above. Any request for a hearing on the proposed retail supply choice program should identify the basis for the request.

Other Proposed Changes

On or before March 22, 2002, any interested person may file with the Clerk, State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218-2118, comments on Columbia's proposed changes to rates, charges, rules, and regulations for transportation and other services and mail a copy to counsel to Columbia, Mark C. Darrell, General Counsel, Columbia Gas of Virginia, Inc., 9001 Arboretum Parkway, Richmond, Virginia 23236-3488. Comments should refer to Case No. PUE010587. The Commission cannot assure that comments sent by facsimile or e-mail will be considered.

On or before March 22, 2002, any interested person may file with the Clerk at the address above a request for a hearing on Columbia's proposed changes to rates, charges, rules, and regulations for transportation and other services and shall simultaneously serve a copy of the request for a hearing on counsel to Columbia identified above. Any request for a hearing on the proposed retail supply choice program should identify the basis for the request.

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(11) On or before March 1, 2002, the Company shall mail, by first-class mail, postage prepaid, a copy of the notice prescribed in ordering paragraph (10) to all customers served under Rate Schedule TS1 and TS2, Transportation Service 1 and 2, Rate Schedule LVTS, Large Volume Transportation Service, Rate Schedule SAS, Special Agency Service, and Rate Schedule LSS, Limited Sales Service, and to all gas suppliers licensed by the Commission to serve any portion of the Company's territory.

(12) On or before April 9, 2002, the Company shall file with the Clerk proof of the publication and service required in ordering paragraphs (10) and (11).

The Clerk shall mail attested copies of this Order to Mark C. Darrell, General Counsel, Columbia Gas of Virginia, Inc., 9001 Arboretum Parkway, Richmond, Virginia 23236-3488; and James C. Dimitri, Esquire, McGuireWoods LLP, One James Center, 901 East Cary Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219; and shall deliver copies to the Commission's Office of General Counsel and Divisions of Energy Regulation, Economics and Finance, and Public Utility Accounting.